

It's a Very Long Row to Toe, but Yale May Yet Plough Through to Victory

Figures Will Lie It Amherst Team Loses

Yearly Football Clash with Williams Comes To-morrow—Michigan To Be a Trial Horse for The Quakers.

By HERBERT.

Football has two more weeks to run, and there will be plenty to hold up interest to the very end, but the Princeton Tigers will play their last game to-morrow against Yale at New Haven, while Williams, Amherst and Union, among a number of others, will take the gridiron for the last time this year.

As a rule, the yearly meeting between Williams and Amherst takes rank because of the prominence of these two eleven among the smaller New England colleges and because of the rivalry between the two which has come to be almost as traditional as that between Yale and Harvard. It will be a good game, too, although on the form shown this year the chances of Williams do not look much brighter than a snowball in August.

It is not unusual, however, for this game to upset all precedents and to fly in the face of the revered dope. No matter how the way points, this particular battle is fought out along lines all its own. Amherst should win on all that has been seen, but Williams is quite likely to rise from the ashes of the most disappointing season in recent years—a season which has just one little victory in the opening game to offset one defeat after another.

Amherst beat Wesleyan by a narrow margin in a game which the men from Middletown felt was theirs by right of more power. Wesleyan throttled Williams and heaped up 41 points to 6; Amherst caught Brown off its guard and won by a score of 7 to 0, whereupon Brown turned about, and took it on Williams at 33 to 0. Amherst missed a game with Trinity through losing a chance for a try at goal because of a careless mistake, but Trinity played hazy with Williams and won by a score of 38 to 0.

Figures will have to do a lot of lying to reconcile a victory by Williams over Amherst to-morrow. Fred Daly has had his trials at Williamstown this fall. Minor injuries have disseminated his squad faster than it could be recruited, and one experiment after another has been necessary, which has operated against a general settling. From all accounts, however, the spirit of the men is not broken, and the outlook is much brighter than it was a few weeks ago. Tom Riley, on the other hand, has worked wonders with his small squad at Amherst. Even Dartmouth was held at bay for three periods. Speed has been the predominating factor, as the team is one of the lightest in the East, but to this speed has been added a keen knowledge of football, particularly in fundamentals, while Bill Tow, the midline quarterback, who weighs a scant 120 pounds, has a way of getting every ounce of efficiency out of his men.

Pennsylvania's game with Michigan on Franklin Field, Philadelphia, to-morrow will furnish another line of comparison between the Quakers and Cornell for their game on Thanksgiving Day. Dr. Sharpe and his assistants have built up such a strong, powerful and finished eleven at Ithaca that Pennsylvania's case looks hopelessly bleak, but as pointed out many times, comparative scores in football are anything but dependable in measuring values. Still, the game to-morrow will have added interest for this reason.

Captain Eddie Mahan of Harvard laughed, or in any case grinned broadly, as he followed up the play when King broke through the left side of the line and ran for a touchdown last Saturday. No, the grin could not be seen from the towering heights of the press stand, but evidence is not lacking that happy, satisfied grin. He is an outstanding feature of a picture of the play on his desk.

If Union defeats Hamilton to-morrow the eleven coached by Fred Dawson, the onetime Princeton baseball captain, will establish the creditable record of losing one game in two years, and that to New York University three weeks ago.

Bob Bingham, halfback on the Yale football eleven, is a brother to Bill Bingham, captain of the Harvard track team last year. Wilson, as he is well known, has a brother at Princeton, while Hutchinson, a capable back on the ineligible eleven at New Haven, is a brother to the great Denny Hutchinson, who made a name for himself at Pennsylvania a few years ago.

The Yale coaches almost without exception speak in glowing terms of Pollard, the negro halfback, at Brown University. They say he is one of the fastest and slipperiest backs seen on the gridiron in many a year. Nate Wheeler remarked: "An' he has nothing on that fellow Pollard. He fairly shoots from his position when taking the ball." Pollard is rather frail looking, but handles himself as if propelled by some dynamic force.

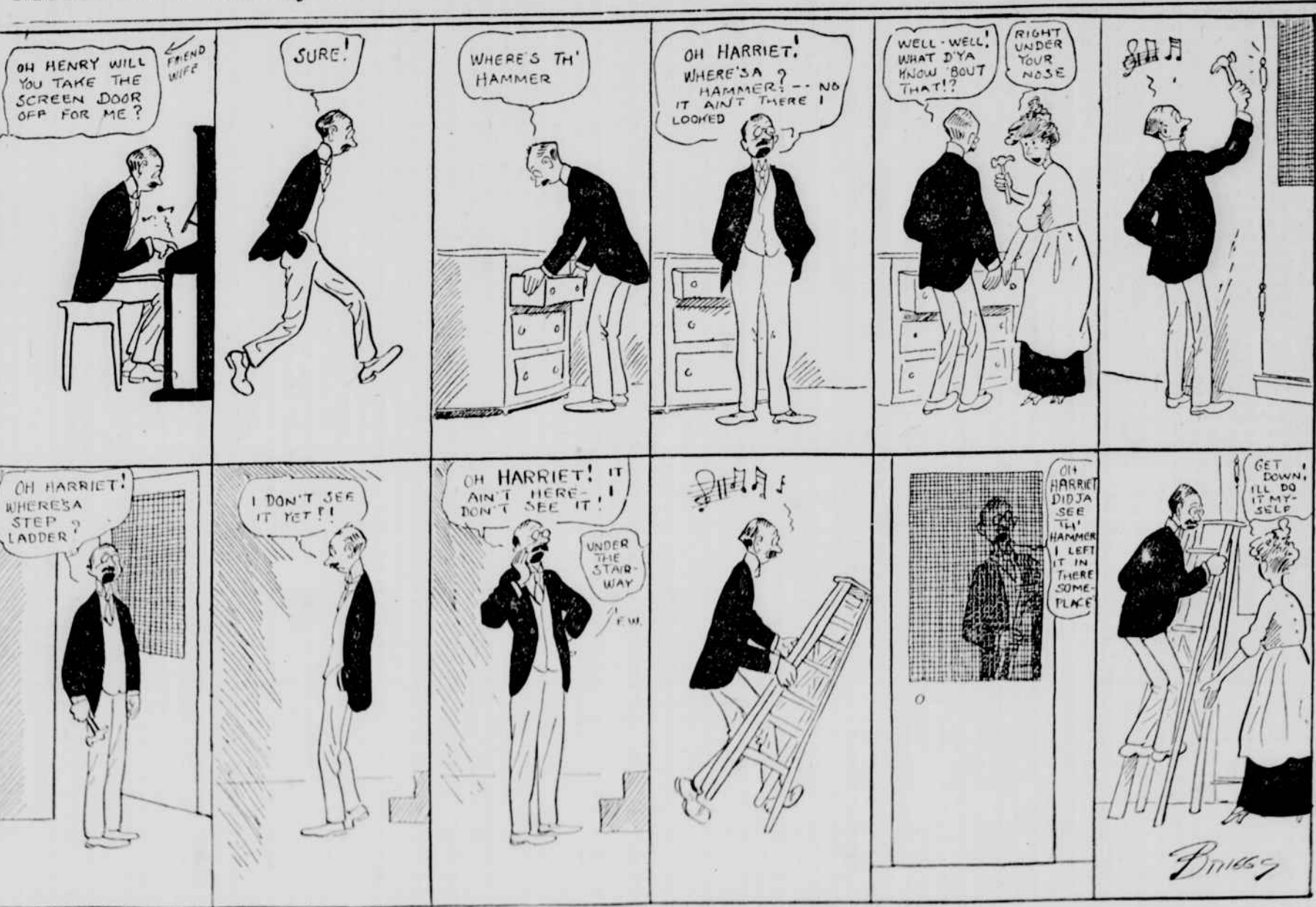
Sometimes the blocking of kicks, no easy task, acts as a boomerang. The Yale cubs are still fretting over the two that they blocked against the Princeton freshmen last Saturday, both of which were turned into touchdowns by the young Tigers. Tom Shevlin, by the way, thinks particularly well of the Yale freshman eleven. He insists that there will be plenty of good material coming along to the varsity in another year.

The eleven of Exeter and Andover will settle their rivalry difference to-morrow, as, as usual in recent years, Exeter is likely to do most of the settling. Unbeaten this year, unbeaten in fact, if memory serves, since 1912, the game to-morrow looks like another of the Exeter-Andover series.

The general participation of all the boys in sports, is under a distinct handicap in the development of a so-called "varsity."

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Yale Plans New Stunts for Game

New Haven, Nov. 11.—The Yale side of the Bowl will present several novel features during the Princeton game to-morrow. Plans have been laid for spelling out "Y-A-L-E" in white against a background of blue handkerchiefs during the game. It is expected that the entire Yale section will be a mass of waving blue handkerchiefs when the final words of the Yale song, "Bright College Years," is reached.

Yale will have a new mascot, too, for the Yale cheer leaders have obtained "Rock Cliffe Bratus," said to be the largest bulldog in America. The animal is the property of John W. Minton, '05, of Sycamore, Long Island, and weighs seventy pounds. He is a white English bull. He will be dressed in a blue coat with a white "Y" on each side.

The theory is against over-emphasis.

It seems too bad that Columbia found it necessary to cancel its game with Trinity to-morrow, as that meeting would have given the Quakers a valuable experience.

H. C. S.—It's quite too deep to fathom, but no doubt Rutgers is taking the same chance in playing the All-Stars that Columbia would have taken in playing Trinity if any paid coaches line up.

COLUMBIA TO MEET STARS IN PRACTICE

Scrimmage To-day Will Be Last for Fish's Men Before Rutgers.

As there was no scrimmage for the Columbia 'Varsity eleven yesterday afternoon, Ham Fish and his group of All-Stars, who will meet Rutgers on Saturday, had South Field almost to themselves. Several of the players on whom Fish is counting to be bulwarks for his team disappointed him again, and Columbia contributed generously from its coaching staff to help fill the gaps in the line-up.

Columbia will scrimmage with the All Stars this afternoon, and will give Fish's players their only chance to play together in anything but signal drill before facing Rutgers. Before the Stars appeared on the field Nelson Metcalf had his 'Varsity squad out for a short drill in simple formations. He tried out a new line-up, in which Captain Simonds was at left end, Healey at his old place at left tackle, Eaves at right guard and Donaldson at right tackle. Cleveland was relegated to the second eleven and Eaves had a chance among the first string men. Donaldson, too, got in the line-up because of Wilber's absence.

RUTGERS READY FOR STARS

Thorpe, and Perhaps Brickley, Will Not Be On Fish's Team.

New Brunswick, N. J., Nov. 11.—The big Rutgers football team completed this afternoon its scrimmage practice in preparation for the all star game. George Foster Sanford put the 'Varsity against the scrub for ten minutes, after which the first team men were drilled in the new plays which will be sprung against Hamilton Fish's star eleven.

With the exception of Miller and Wittmann, the men are in excellent condition. Miller has been bothered all season with a turned ankle, but he is coming around slowly, and may start on Saturday. Wittmann, who, with Nash, makes Rutgers's best forward pass combination, has torn a muscle in his hip and may not get into Saturday's game. His place will be well filled by Elliot or Kelley, both freshmen.

Huge Crowd Expected for Syracuse-Colgate Game

Syracuse, N. Y., Nov. 11.—The Syracuse University football team held its final hard practice this afternoon in preparation for the annual game with the unbeaten Colgate eleven here Saturday. O'Neill, the coach, sent his first eleven and reserve team through a long signal drill, in which every play in the Syracuse repertoire was thoroughly rehearsed. Every member of the team is in exceptional physical condition. The advance sale of tickets has broken all records here. Temporary stands are being erected in the stadium and it is expected 25,000 persons will attend.

Hamilton On Edge for Union Game

Clinton, N. Y., Nov. 11.—Hamilton's football season will close on Saturday at Clinton with the annual game with Union University. The game will decide the championship of the New York State Intercollegiate Athletic Union. Neither team has yet lost a game within the league, which is composed of St. Lawrence, Rochester, Hobart, Union and Hamilton.

FEW OF HARVARD 'VARSITY WILL BATTLE BROWN

Haughton Plans to Use Taylor and Boles with Eight Substitutes.

Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 11.—There was another light drill for the Harvard football team to-day, although the season in the Stadium lasted until dark. The regular eleven was together for half an hour running through a lot of new plays, and then going into a soft scrimmage against the scrub, which worked hard on the Brown plays, as taught them by the scrubs.

The scrubs, however, played a stronger game against the substitutes than against the 'Varsity, and because of the presence of two of the regular men in the substitute line-up it looks more than ever as if Harvard would not send the first team against Brown on Saturday.

Of the regulars, Taylor played for a time at right guard beside Harris, while Boles was in the substitute back field with Edgewood and Rollins. This made nine strong string men and two regulars, the rush line substitutes from left and being Curtis, R. (a) and Weatherhead, with Robinson at quarter.

The management here has ten tickets for the game at New Haven for the players, and unless a shift in the plans made before Saturday morning Harris, Boles and Taylor will be the only 'Varsity men to remain at Cambridge. Wallace has hurt his head again and probably could not play on Saturday anyway. Harvard will not have the services of Bigelow, substitute tackle, as he has injured his back.

Another Long Drill for the Army Eleven

West Point, N. Y., Nov. 11.—With the coaches driving the men hard at every step, the Army eleven went through a two-hour practice on the gridiron here to-day in further preparation for the Maine game.

A long forward pass drill was followed by dummy scrimmaging and the work wound up with a strenuous half hour session with the scrubs. Two touchdowns came, the regulars, (a) kicking the goal from placement after several trials from the thirty-yard line. Mitchell alternated with Place at one of the halfback positions on the first team; Oliphant was at the other. Murrill was at quarter during the entire drill to-day.

Slight Improvement Shown by the Navy

Annapolis, Md., Nov. 11.—Only slight improvement was evident in the work of the Naval Academy football team this afternoon, though the players were driven through a scrimmage that lasted most of the afternoon. The scrub was continually strengthened from the bench and put up a spirited fight throughout. In the early part of the practice the second team easily broke back in the line-up, but the first team, however, probably will be in the game against Amherst on Saturday. The Williams team is determined to put up a game fight against his rival.

PENN. PINS FAITH IN LINE SMASHING GAME

Team Shows Well in Snappy Secret Practice—Michigan Arrives

Philadelphia, Nov. 11.—Pennsylvania's football team had the snappiest practice of the year here this afternoon behind closed gates. The entire drill was devoted to the offense, and the new plays went off like clockwork. It is evident that the Quakers intend to try to wear Michigan down with a line smashing game, for they have three sets of backs they propose to use. The first backfield will be composed of Hill at quarterback, Rockafeller and Derr at halfback and Miller at fullback. The second set of backs will be Loucks at quarterback, Tighe and Ross at halfback and Williams at fullback.

The Berry incident was officially closed this afternoon. The former quarterback, who deserted the team last week because he was demoted to the position of third substitute, appeared before the board of coaches on Monday night and apologized and then asked for reinstatement on the 'Varsity squad. Berry received his answer to-day, which was that the coaches could not overlook his action and that he could not be used any more this season. Berry says he will devote himself to his studies and the track for the remainder of the year and try for football again next fall.

The Michigan team reached town late this afternoon, and stopped off at Wayne, in the suburbs, where they will remain until Saturday morning. Yost said his men were in good condition, but he would make no prediction about the game.

Moultsch, the star back who was injured in the contest with Cornell last week, it was said, will be able to start against Pennsylvania. Yost denied reports that he had been asked to coach Yale and declared that he has a contract with Michigan again next season.

Brown Polishing Off Work for Harvard

Providence, Nov. 11.—The Brown football team put in a busy day here to-day. There was a fifteen-minute scrimmage of a light order, a lot of emergency work in running down under punts, catching forward passes and then a signal drill of two hours and a half.

While the ordeal at the Harvard Stadium matter of only two short days distant, the practice has reached that polishing-off stage upon which the coaches justly bank so much. Because of the fact that the Brown seconds met the Harvard seconds to-morrow at Cambridge, the coaching staff took no chances on injuries.

Williams 'Varsity Holds Practice After Dark

Williamstown, Mass., Nov. 11.—The Williams 'Varsity rested from scrimmaging and the scrubs took a turn at tussling with the freshmen eleven. The regulars indulged in a long single drill, which was continued in the baseball cage after it became dark.

Joe Brooks was on the field as usual, coaching the line. Under his careful training great improvement has been noticeable in the strength of the forward line. The lineup has been pretty well shaken up this week, because of a few minor injuries. All of the regulars, however, probably will be in the game against Amherst on Saturday. The Williams team is determined to put up a game fight against his rival.

Final Practice for the Amherst Eleven

Amherst, Mass., Nov. 11.—The Amherst football squad had its last practice of the season here this afternoon. Tom Riley gave the men a long drill in all departments of play before he sent them off the field for the last time before the big game with Williams on Saturday.

Long Signal Drill Marks Work of the Yale Eleven

Following Practice, 'Varsity Squad Goes to Infirmary to Rest in Preparation for Princeton Game.

New Haven, Nov. 11.—The Yale eleven had its last hard drill to-day in preparation for the game with the Tigers in the Bowl on Saturday. It consisted of thirty-five minutes of signal practice and "dummy" defensive work against the ineligible for an additional period.

The result was all that the coaches could wish, for the team showed continued improvement. Yale is now practically ready for the coming contest. The men will go to the Yale infirmary to-night and will return to the field to-morrow only long enough for a brief signal drill.

Tom Shevlin and the other coaches in today's practice devoted their attention to getting the plays perfectly in hand and if signal drill counts for much, Yale should have a smooth run-through with which to oppose Princeton.

Shevlin drove the men up and down the field, halting them at times to correct each fault as it was detected. There were few pauses in the work on this account, however, for the eleven has mastered the formations well and Van Nostrand, who calls the signals from quarterback, does not hesitate in his choice of plays.

This is the way the eleven lined up in signal practice to-day and the way it will probably start against Princeton. Left end, Church; left tackle, Gates; left guard, Black; center, White; right guard, J. Sheldon; right tackle, Wray; right end, Windemut, back, Wilson; right halfback, Bingham; fullback, Guernsey.

There was life and enthusiasm enough in the general appearance of the eleven to-day to indicate that the men are in excellent physical condition. Black, who has a weak ankle, and Guernsey, whose shoulder bothered him until recently, are the only men who bear any trace of injuries, and their hurts have healed so well that no trouble is expected on account of them.

It has been practically settled that Ed Scovill, the former Dartmouth star, will probably start at fullback until a week ago, when he was injured, will play only a few moments in the Princeton game, if he is allowed to go in at all. The only player who has been full is left end, where Higginbotham may replace Buck Church. The latter's work this afternoon was up to his former high standard, and it is doubtful if Higginbotham can stand out an even footing with him, despite Church's lack of weight. Higginbotham is handicapped with a weak ankle, too.

The improvement in the Yale defense will undoubtedly be a factor of importance in the Princeton game. In the dummy work on the defensive against the ineligible 'Varsity forwards broke up the attempts of their opponents to break through for long gains, and the secondary defense men on the 'Varsity were in their places promptly enough to frustrate any forward passes or long end runs.

Yale's everyman oppose Briggs in the kicking duel which is expected to play a large part in Saturday's game. Guernsey was kept at the kicking field for some time. He tried several field goals from different angles with good success. His punting gave cause for much satisfaction, the kicks averaging well over forty-five yards. If Guernsey is displaced during the game Captain Alec Wilson will do the punting.

The Yale ticket department announced to-night that approximately 54,000 tickets had been sold thus far for the Yale-Princeton game. The return of a block of tickets from Princeton, however, has necessitated placing seats on sale at the Bowl the day of the game. The ticket officials said to-night that out-of-town visitors could count upon procuring tickets at the Bowl on the day of the game. This will be the first time in a great many years that it has been possible to obtain tickets for a final Yale game in New Haven on the day of the contest.

Retting odds here to-night are at 3 to 1 on Princeton, but wagers are not numerous. Despite the odds, there is a feeling of optimism on the Yale campus, and every one is looking for an upset in the forecasts.

Columbia Not Out of Trinity Tangle

Columbia and Trinity may not yet be at the end of their difficulties over the football game that was scheduled to be played by the two on Saturday, which Columbia cancelled because of the presence of George Brickley on the Trinity team. It developed yesterday that the contract existing between the two, which Columbia has broken because of its cancellation of the game, stipulated a definite guarantee for the Trinity team, and that Trinity has no intention of letting the matter end where it seems to have stopped.

Just how much Trinity was to receive from Columbia is not known, but the Hartford authorities have no hesitation in stating that Columbia would be held to the letter of the contract in that particular at least. One lawyer whose opinion was asked yesterday said that Trinity would be within its rights in demanding the guarantee money, but if the team should play Holy Cross on Saturday, as reported, the Trinity case would lose much of its strength and would probably be thrown out of court if taken before the law.

Shake-up Put's Ginger Into Fordham 'Varsity

The Fordham eleven showed a big improvement yesterday in the final hard workout for the Rhode Island game to-morrow. Annoyed by the coaches' criticism of their recent exhibition, the 'Varsity eleven scored three touchdowns against the prep team in yesterday's scrimmage and kept the Maroon youngsters from crossing the goal line.

Harry Vaughn, coach, shifted Matty Golden, the sub halfback, to quarterback, Captain Dunn taking his old position at halfback. The change worked a lot of snap and power into the attack of the 'Varsity, as both players are better suited to their new assignments.

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TIGER ELEVEN ENDS PRACTICE AND AWAITS YALE

No Changes in the Line-up Likely—Drill Behind Closed Gates.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

Princeton, N. J., Nov. 11.—The Princeton football team held its last practice of the year here this afternoon, and will have a complete run from now until the whistle starts the Yale game on Saturday.

All the regular players were back at their positions this afternoon, except Red Gennert, and the chances are that he will be ready to start against Yale. In case he cannot play, Butterworth will start the pivot position. Butterworth is a green man, but he has developed rapidly in the last few weeks, and handles the position creditably. Sommer is being coached as second alternate, so the centre will be well taken care of in any event.

Contrary to rumors of the last week the team still lines up as it did against Harvard, and unless something unforeseen happens the same eleven will face Yale. Higley and Lambert are certain men on the ends. At tackle there has been some question as to who would play. Howe, who was injured last week, is being coached as a second alternate, and will probably be sent in before the game is over.

Nourse and Hogg are the best bets for guards. Hogg will underwrite the latter and Love the former. The backfield combinations remain unchanged. Glick at quarterback, Shaw and Tibbott, halfbacks, and Briggs, fullback, will give Yale the first taste of the Tiger attack. Should they be unable to gain, the lighter backfield of Law, Moore and Dickerman will be called upon to repeat their last year's performance.

The practice this afternoon was behind closed gates for part of the time. The ends were given a long session with the tackling dummy and were then sent down under a number of punts. Tibbott was kept busy at day kicks, and Briggs lifted long spins for forty-five and fifty yards.

For the latter part of the practice the squad moved down to the stadium, where a scrimmage was staged. The play was snappy and aggressive, and the passing was accurate and quick. The handling of the ball was perfect, and the team looked well as a whole.

Princeton goes into the game with high hopes, but a victory by just one score will please Rutgers mightily. Among the undergraduates the feeling is that the Tigers will win, but amongst the faculty there is a strong feeling that the Quakers will defeat them.

The students held a monster rally.

cheers. This year the hated "Yale, You Can't Play Ball" instead of the former cheering which has been used in former years.

To-morrow the squad will leave about noon and will arrive at the station for their trip at Hartford, where they will take dinner and spend the night. On Saturday they will continue their journey to New Haven.

A Blow to Chicago Eleven.

Chicago, Nov. 11.—Maroon hopes for a football championship were chilled here to-day, when at the University of Chicago squad started to-night, for Minneapolis, news was confirmed that Harry Flood, fullback and chief plunger, could not take part in the game. Failure to maintain the standing in his classes requisite for participation in athletics was said to be the reason.

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